Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 03 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 04 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 02 Mar 2022 at 17:35 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for general developments, but low for extent of showers and any heavier rain on Thursday. High for improving conditions over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 03 Mar 2022: Cold with summit gales. Patchy rain and summit snow, heavier in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 03 Mar 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
70%	60%	70%	70%	70%	80%	20%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 03 Mar 2022

Weather: Cloudy. Patchy rain or drizzle, sleet or wet snow on the highest summits in the morning. Rain turns heavier and more widespread in the afternoon, turning to snow above 1000m. Then a dry but cloudy evening, a few sleet or snow showers along the coast.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor visibility. Cloud bases around 500-600m with any breaks fleeting.

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Forecast for Thursday 03 Mar 2022

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	54/66 SE	48/59 SE	44/54 SE	40/50 SE	28/36 S	21/27 SE	18/23 S	12/16 S	10/13 N
900	38/49 SE	34/44 SE	31/40 SE	28/37 SE	22/29 S	15/20 S	13/17 S	9/12 S	7/10 NW
600	52/62 SE	43/53 SE	39/47 SE	34/42 SE	23/29 S	17/22 S	14/18 S	10/13 S	7/11 N
300	30/43 SE	26/37 SE	22/33 SE	19/29 SE	14/22 S	11/18 S	8/13 S	5/9 S	3/6 NW
Glen	14/30 SE	10/23 SE	9/21 SE	8/18 SE	7/16 S	7/16 SE	4/11 SW	4/8 W	4/7 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-14	-2/-12	-2/-12	-2/-11	-2/-10	-2/-9	-2/-9	-2/-8	-3/-8
900	-0/-9	-0/-8	0/-8	0/-7	1/-6	1/-5	0/-5	-0/-4	-1/-4
600	5/-3	4/-3	5/-2	4/-2	4/-2	4/-1	3/-1	2/-1	2/-2
300	5/-2	4/-1	5/-0	5/0	6/2	6/2	5/3	4/2	3/2
Glen	7/3	6/4	7/4	7/5	8/6	7/5	7/5	6/4	5/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1300m	1300m	1100m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Extensive hill fog, rain and summit snow will give challenging navigation conditions.

Forecast for Friday 04 Mar 2022
Weather: A few snow showers, with rain below around 600m in the early hours, mainly over Lochaber, clearing before dawn. Then a dry day. Rather cloudy in the east, but sunny along the west coast.

Maximum wind: Northwest 10 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% soon improving to 90%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Very good or excellent. Some patchy cloud above 600m likely early morning, but this should soon lift above the summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius rising to 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius, rising to zero Celsius for a time in the afternoon.
Freezing level: 800m, falling to 500m in the evening

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